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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the filing of an Indictment against Kenneth Thomas Laporte charging him with emailing video clips that involved the sexual exploitation of minors and possessing material that involved the sexual exploitation of children.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE OF BIRTH
Kenneth Thomas Laporte	Philadelphia, PA	1975

The defendant is currently facing charges relating to the sexual abuse of a minor in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia. If convicted of those charges, the defendant faces a mandatory minimum 15 years imprisonment and maximum possible sentence of 100 years in prison; if not, the mandatory minimum sentence is five years in prison and a 50 years stautory maximum sentence. In both cases, the defendant would be subject to a maximum \$750,000 fine, 3 years supervised release and a \$300 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Pamela Foa.

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